

Committee Meetings

RENEWABLE FUEL STANDARD LAND USE BIOMASS PROVISIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy and Research held a hearing to review the impact of the indirect land use and renewable biomass provisions in the renewable fuel standard. Testimony was heard from Joe Glauber, Chief Economist, USDA; Margo T. Oge, Director, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, EPA; Michael Pechart, Deputy Secretary, Marketing and Economic Development, Department of Agriculture, State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on the House of Representatives Budget. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the House of Representatives: Dan Beard, Chief Administrative Officer; Loraine C. Miller, Clerk; and Bill Livingood, Sergeant-at-Arms.

ARMY, NAVY/MARINE CORPS BUDGETS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Army Budget. Testimony was heard from GEN George W. Casey, Jr., USA, Army Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Navy/Marine Corps Budget. Testimony was heard from ADM Gary Roughhead, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; and GEN James T. Conway, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

HIGH RISK AREA ACQUISITION REFORM; U.S. STRATEGIC POSTURE REPORT

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Department of Defense at High Risk: The Chief Management Officer's Recommendations for Acquisition Reform and Related High Risk Areas. Testimony was heard from William Lynn, Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense.

The Committee also held a hearing on the report of the Congressional Commission on the Strategic Posture of the United States. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Congressional Commission on the Strategic Posture of the United States: William J. Perry, Chairman; and James R. Schlesinger, Vice Chairman.

GREEN PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2187, 21st Century Green High-Performing Public School Facilities Act.

PREVENTING LOAN MODIFICATION/FORECLOSURE FRAUD

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "Legislative Solutions for Preventing Loan Modification and Foreclosure Rescue Fraud." Testimony was heard from James Freis, Jr., Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury; Peggy Twohig, Associate Director, Division of Financial Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; Martha Coakley, Attorney General, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

SWINE FLU OUTBREAK

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health held a hearing on Global Health Emergencies Hit Home: The Swine Flu Outbreak. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Anthony Fauci, M.D. Director, National Institute of Allergies and Infectious Diseases, NIH; and RADM Anne Schuchat, M.D., USN, Interim Deputy Director, Science and Public Health Program, Center for Disease Control and Prevention; and Dennis Carroll, M.D., Special Advisor to the Acting Administrator on Pandemic Influenza, U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of State.

TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2200, Transportation Security Administration Authorization Act.

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS RENOVATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Held a hearing on Necessary Renovations to House Office Buildings. Testimony was heard from Stephen T. Ayers, Acting Architect of the Capitol; and Terrell G. Dean, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO.

U.S./MEXICO DRUG TRADE VIOLENCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Escalating Violence in Mexico and the Southwest Border as a Result of the Illicit Drug Trade. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Stuart G. Nash, Associate Deputy Attorney General, and Director, Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces; and William